

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-10 (cancelled)

11. (new) A system for accessing information associated with rights to use that information expressed in a particular rights expression language at a consultation station including use rights recovery means adapted to recognize use rights expressed in one or more different languages in order to access said information, which system includes a use rights adaptation unit associated with means for determining said particular language in which said use rights associated with said information are expressed, with means for determining the one or more use rights expression languages recognized by said recovery means of said consultation station, and with use rights conversion means for converting the use rights associated with said information when expressed in a language that is not recognized by said recovery means of said consultation station between said particular language in which the use rights associated with the information are expressed and another language selected from the one or more languages recognized by said recovery means of the consultation station.

12. (new) A system according to claim 11, wherein said means for determining the one or more rights expression languages recognized by said recovery means of said consultation station include an adaptation server comprising means for remotely interrogating the recovery means.

13. (new) A system according to claim 11, wherein said means for determining the one or more rights expression languages recognized by said recovery means of said consultation station

include means for declaring to said adaptation unit the one or more languages recognized by said recovery means.

14. (new) A system according to claim 11, wherein said information and said associated use rights are stored in the same information server connected to said consultation station and to said adaptation unit via an information transfer network.

15. (new) A system according to claim 11, wherein said information is stored on an information server and said use rights associated with the information are stored on a rights management server, said information server, said rights management server, said consultation station and said adaptation unit being interconnected via an information transfer network, and said information including information as to the location of said rights management server to enable said consultation station to interrogate said rights management server in order to receive the rights associated with said information.

16. (new) A system according to claim 14, including a plurality of consultation stations connected to said information server through said information transfer network via a plurality of network nodes and a plurality of adaptation units integrated into each of the nodes connected directly to said consultation station.

17. (new) A system according to claim 11, wherein said consultation station is connected to said adaptation unit via a mobile telecommunication network and an information transfer network and said networks are connected by a gateway including information conversion means adapted to convert the information between said mobile telecommunication network and said information transfer network.

18. (new) A system according to claim 11, wherein said consultation station is mobile and said recovery means are

adapted to recognize the DRMREL rights expression language.

19. (new) A system according to claim 18, wherein said rights associated with said information to be sent are expressed in the MPEG-21 rights expression language.

20. (new) A method of accessing information associated with rights to use that information expressed in a particular rights expression language at a consultation station including use rights recovery means adapted to recognize use rights expressed in one or more different languages in order to access said information, which method includes:

- a step of determining the expression language of said rights;
- a step of determining the one or more use right expression languages recognized by said recovery means of said consultation station;
- a step of converting said use rights expressed in said particular language in which the use rights associated with the information to be transmitted are expressed into another language selected from the one or more languages recognized by said recovery means; and
- a step of sending said converted rights to said consultation station.